

May 21, 2007

**MORGAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
LOCAL/STATE BOARD FACILITIES HEARING REPORT**

A Local/State public hearing was held at the Morgan County High School Library on Monday May 21, 2007, at 5:30 PM (local time). The purpose of the public hearing was to propose a new District Facility Plan developed by the Morgan County Local Planning Committee. The Local Planning Committee (LPC) voted **7-0** in favor of the proposed new plan and the Board voted **5-0** to approve the new plan.

There were 4 members of the LPC present and 2 visitors in attendance. Marshall Jenkins, LPC chairman, served as the locally appointed hearing officer. Mr. Joe Dan Gold, Superintendent; Mr. James Hampton, vice-chairman LPC; Mrs. Carol Rose, Principal Ezel Elementary; Mr. Addison Whitt, Principal MCHS; Ms. Kim Barker, Human Resource Director; & Mr. John Maxey, Director of Technology Morgan County Schools were present.

COMMENTS

Mr. Jenkins called the public hearing to order at 5:30 PM. The hearing officer outlined the purpose of the hearing and the hearing procedures in accordance with 702 KAR 1:001. It was explained that those persons wishing to speak would be given the opportunity and that written statements would be accepted. It was also noted that all considerations will be made available to the Kentucky Board of Education via the hearing officer's report. The hearing officer read the proposed new District Facility Plan that included: the construction of a new elementary school to replace the consolidated West Liberty/Wrigley Elementary schools, a major renovation/additions to the Morgan County High School, additions to Ezel Elementary School, additions to Morgan County Middle School, major renovation to the Morgan County Area Technology Center, major renovation/conversion of West Liberty Elementary School to an Alternative Education Center & Central Office, addition of interactive Smart Boards throughout the district, construction of a new central storage facility, and construction of a new bus garage.

The floor was opened to those who wished to make a statement and none were made either orally or written.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the new District Facility Plan developed by the Morgan County Local Planning Committee and adopted by the Morgan County Board of Education be approved as the District Facility Plan for the Morgan County School District. A copy of the new plan is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,

Marshall Jenkins, LPC Chair

KDE Staff name and title

cc: Mark W. Ryles, Director
Planning File
Plan

Attachments: Local/State Board Public Hearing Agenda
Morgan County School District Facility